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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

CITY .- Stocks were generally weak and dull. —— Commissioner Fosdick turned up another case in which Judge Mulqueen directed an acquittal because of an improper remark by a witness.

A boy was instantly killed by a bullet from a cartridge that exploded when it was thrown into a bonfire Two patrolmen going off duty captured two alleged burglars, getting one with the aid of an automobile apparently waiting to carry off loot, and will be made detectives to-day. - Mr. Maltbie, of the Public Service Commission gave out a statement objecting in many nportant particulars to the report on the subway plan made by the Sheriff conference committee. Sheriff Harburger and fifty men will attend a meeting of the Industrial Workers of the World in Union Square to-morrow The president of the Board of Fire Underwriters the insurance companies Andrew Carnegie, sailing for Scotland, said Roosevelt might have done worse than to let Taft have a sec-The attorney for the Northern Bank creditors served copies zation. of an affidavit alleging irregulariti claims against the lawyers whom Robin recently assailed. —— A big gathering recently assailed. vitnessed a Revolutionary hero celebra-

DOMESTIC .- President Taft and Coloafternoon and evening, and Senator La Follette continued his addresses in oppo-sition to both of them for delegates to be elected at the Presidential convention The House of Representatives passed the Panama Canal making the canal free to United es coastwise ships and forbidding to own or control any competing steamship lines. - Representative 'ess attacked the Democratic naval programme, declaring it to that had been presented to Congress in with injecting politics into the navy. correspondence which passed between the State Department and Fredcan company interested in the Magda lena Bay concession, was transmitted to by President Taft. President Taft, on behalf of the n behalf of the nation. Presbyterian General Assembly, in sea expedient" to admit women to the min-

dent of the French Chamber of Deputies. eral strike as a protest against the eleccrai strike as a protest against the elec-tion of Count Tisza as president of the lower house resulted in general rioting at Budapest, in which seven persons were killed and 159 others wounded. a revenue of \$207,960,000 and an expenon-the-Main, was killed by falling over staircase railing in the hotel at which

THE WEATHER.-Indications for to day: Pair. The temperature yesterday: Highest, 72 degrees; lowest, 50.

The 25 cents a ton increase in the price

ON THE LOADED BACK.

of coal is being laid on the back of the consumer with the gentleness of a straw placed there by one who is considering whether it is not a straw too many. The announcement of the increase is issued "unofficially"-probably to see how much the back will bend at

the prospect. Having put on the dollar burden after the great coal strike of

be another 25 cents a little later?

these unnecessarily heavy impositions they were what they are reported to the "cause." that are fixed arbitrarily by the masters have been. The "Lokalanzeiger" of Berof the coal trade, consulting only their lin reports that he said: "If things con- editors of the chief suffragette organ, own interests and the endurance of the "tinue as at present we shall simply re- declared that the very idea of breaking public and subject to none of the effect "peal the constitution and incorporate windows was loathsome to him; it was tive restraints of competition. The "you in Prussia." The "Buerger Zei- "essentially ugly and repugnant." Yet readiness with which the people sub- tung," of Scrasburg, has the same ver- it was indulged in, and the doing of it mitted to the dollar a ton imposition sion, omitting the reference to Prussla. was to be justified. Why? Because after the great strike only subjects them Others report the imperial orator more ministers of the crown did not indicate to more exaction at this time. If the colloquially and racily, thus: "If you to Mr. Pethick Lawrence's satisfaction patient heast does not break down or "don't mend your ways here, I'll smash that they were "prepared to listen to be can carry a heavier load. That dol- "you a Prussian province." In the ab- Mr. Pethick Lawrence regarded as realar exaction, according to the testimony sence of any denial we must assume son and argument. Now, there are other of the coal operators themselves, was 68 that he said something corresponding to things which this keen logician doubtcents more than was necessary to pay the substance of these versions. great strike, even in sections where the

living.

ing the sequel that followed the accept- mous vote of the Diet of Alsace. Doubtcommodity heavily in recent years, are a sovereign state, and is not lawfully to solely because he had praised his own now entitled in common decency to ask. be punished for so doing.

when he said to the miners some time himself of an authority which is vested as well balanced and as altogether ad-

It might involve posdo that. sible legislation which would be drastic.

MR. TAFT'S CONFIDENCE.

with its two 50-cent advances in price?

The confidence which President Taft expresses in his renomination is based on the expectation that he will get a of bluster and browbeating waged in posed him he would "smash to pieces" behalf of Colonel Roosevelt fails; if the delegates who were elected by constituents in the belief that they were favorable to Mr. Taft do not betray those who sent them to Chicago, and if those who are to pass upon the claims of contesting delegates to seats do not permit themselves to be frightened by the threats that are being uttered for their benefit, but decide fairly between the men regularly elected and the pretenders sent to Chicago by rump conven- THE METHODIST "AMUSEMENTS tions, Mr. Taft will have an easy vic-

If he is defeated it will be through the weakness of those who mistake noise for numbers and bluster for strength. If he is defeated it will only be through delegates violating the instructions or the understanding of the people who sent them and misrepresenting the opinion of their constituencies.

Mr. Taft believes that this hold-up of afternoon, to see that the flag is not the national convention, this attempt of a minority to make the majority stand and deliver to it seats to which it is had paid \$158,392,630 in fire losses in the not entitled, will fail. And it will, if there is manhood or courage in the delegates who make up the convention and the leaders who will control its organi-

THE TROUBLES IN CUBA.

The cause of the Cuban uprising is obscure, if, indeed, there is any cause That is not the case. which could be considered plausible, not. There is only one reference to the New Jersey, both speaking in many cities to say adequate. For a number of subject in the constitution of the years we have been accustomed to the Church, and that is not in the Articles occasional spectacle of men "taking to of Religion, but in the General Rule the woods" with a flamboyant pronun- supplementary thereto, and it simply clamente about "saving the country," ap- states that members of the Church are parently for no other reason than a desire to make patriotism the pretext for "diversions as cannot be used in the looting pigpens and chicken roosts. The "name of the Lord Jesus"; this being present outbreak differs from its prede- bracketed with "the putting on of gold cessors, however, in being more formi- and costly apparel," "laying up treasure dable, and in not having been introduced upon earth," etc. The next reference many years; he charged the Democrats to the world, or to the island, with a is not in the constitution but in the flourish of rhetorical trumpets. It has, "Special Advices," and it is in the form indeed, to be taken seriously, and it not of a command or pledge but of "a causes disquiet at Washington as well "solemn note of warning and entreaty as at Havana.

is not only legitimate but inevitable. The safeguarding of American lives and prop- In the same "Advices" there are still gates from many countries to the twelfth erty is one reason for the prompt dis-international Congress of Navigation. patch of additional forces to our payal of lewelry against magnific materials. station at Guantanamo sion in Louisville, refused to open the hoped that they will have no fighting to cept for adultery, pulpit to women, declaring it was "in- do, and, indeed, it is probable that the istry. — Western suffragettes were asked to boycott British made goods because of the imprisonment of Mrs. Pankknowledge of their presence there and the one over which the controversy has FOREIGN.—A decisive victory was over, not only since 1898, but since half Church, it provides for remonstrance, obtained by Mexican federals over Orozco's rebels at Reliano; the defeated force a century earlier than that date, invest reproof and in extreme cases expulsion from the Church for regions of our government with a degree of respon- from the Church for various forms of transport Prairie sailed for Guantanamo to protect American lives and property on the island. — A strike of 15,000 transport workers was begun in London.

— Paul Deschanel was elected president of the process of the same penalty is prescribed become chaotic is a potent precisely the same penalty is prescribed incentive to the taking of all proper presidents. incentive to the taking of all proper pre- for those who go to law over business cautions for the maintenance of consti- disputes instead of submitting them to

tutional government in the island. that the United States has no desire to meetings (which in a large proporintervene in Cuba in any way, and that tion of churches are no longer held), or Chim's revised estimates for 1912 showed it would do so, if at all, with the ut- to maintain family prayers. It seems most reluctance and repugnance. Doubt- probable that enforcement of the rul ing of marines to Guantanamo is not to rate, a review of these actual elecumbe regarded, therefore, as a step toward stances of the case suggests the need of intervention, but rather as a precaution- a generous discretion in dealing with it, ary measure against the possible neces- which will take into account the constisity of intervening. It is in that light tution, rules and practice of the Church represented, with a discreet and scrupu- tion to a single clause or paragraph. lous avoidance of any utterance which might aggravate or complicate a situation which is undoubtedly delicate and serious, but which by proper treatment may be disposed of without grave consequences to either country

THE REICHSLAND RUCTION. 1902, the operators are not sure how closed this week with another storm over logic which is sometimes amusing and much more the patient back will carry, the Emperor's alleged remarks at Stras- always illuminating. It is of special And even the dollar load was laid on burg concerning Alsace-Lorraine, but it value, too, because of its unimpeachable in two parts, 50 cents at a time, to ac- is to be doubted if the storm ended with authenticity. It does not consist of what custom the back gradually to what was the session. The probability is that unsympathetic anti-suffragists say of the expected of it. Is this 25-cent load, there will be loud echoes for some time, agitators, but is their own exposition of which is being elevated now toward its perhaps in a widespread revival of their motives and mental processes. resting place in like manner, only the the extreme demands of Particularism comprises, too, the utterances of suffra first part of what is coming? Will there throughout the empire. For such a cam- gettes of both sexes, thus suggesting paign, indeed, the Emperor's words ap- that the peculiarities of reasoning which There is no virtue in patience under pear to have given some provocation, if it exhibits pertain not to the sex but to kick over the traces it is a sign that "your constitution to pieces and make reason and argument"-that is, to what

the increased costs resulting from the The criticisms of the utterance are ugly and repugnant; for example, grand costs were highest. Yet the 68 cents its menace to the constitutional rights suppose that he would resort, or countsmarghi is not enough to pay the miners of the old Reichsland. It is held that nance resorting, to any of them in case their present slight increase in wages, the country has not transcended its con- ministers declined to listen to what he or part of that increase; but the whole, stitutional rights and privileges as a considered to be reason and argument? together with an alleged 5 cents a ton member of the federal empire, and that It is inconceivable. Yet where is the a number of elderly men who drink much additional cost of mining due to changes its independence ought not thus to be line to be drawn, if once yen begin doin conditions, must be shifted to the threatened. What provoked the Em- ing what you know to be wrong just debate questions of all kinds from pretzels public. And the shifting must be made peror's outburst was this: The manager because somebody else does not do what to politics. On one table, reserved for the the occasion for taking additional profits of the locomotive works at Grafenstaden you think to be right? out of the people, conservatively figured was accused of making the establishto be 10 cents a ton. Ten cents a ton ment, or of letting it be made, a centre lender of the suffragettes, the "brains of week an inverted beer mug decorated with is \$6,000,000 a year-\$6,000,000 of un- of anti-German propaganda. To rebuke the women's social movements," argued asked about it was told that in this way

The other ground of criticism is that

We cannot arbitrarily advance the Reichstag. It is pointed out that it is strous! ince of the two legislative bodies, which leaders of the suffragette campatgn The amount of the increase is put were the authors of the constitution of They indicate the motives which se whole German government. But in strengly emphasize the difference be thought to accord with his characteris- suffragist of New York. tic disposition and manner. On a former occasion he said that those who opobviously meaning himself, individually. Of course, it is not a counsel of reason simply to reply that for saying such a thing the Emperor ought to have his throne smashed to pieces, or else himself to be shut up in a madhouse, after the suggestion of the Social-Democratic leader in the Reichstag. But yet it is not surprising that passions rise as high on the one side as on the other.

RULE.

any change in that portion of the Book of Discipline which relates to indulgence in amusements, but the fact that more than 45 per cent of the conference voted in favor of a change, and the wide spread and earnest discussion which has long prevailed, indicate unmistakably the sentiment of a large part of the millions of that denomination and suggest that the matter has by no means been finally settled. Meantime there seem to be arising some popular misconceptions of the point at issue which place it in a false and misleading light. The idea seems actually to be prevalent that the creed or articles of faith of the Church specifically condemn eard-playing, dancing and theatre-going.

"expected" to avoid "the taking of such particularly against theatre-going, dance The interest taken in it at Washington "ing and such games of chance as are "frequently associated with gambling."

The third reference to the subject, and arbitration by fellow members and the It cannot be too strongly emphasized minister, or who fail to attend class

results, the trial of the window-smasiing suffragettes in London-which has just resulted in the conviction of three of the principals and sentences of nine months' imprisonment-has given to The session of the German Reichstag the world an exhibition of suffragette

Thus Mr. Pethick Lawrence, one of the less regards with loathing, as essentially based on two grounds. One is that of larceny, arson and murder. Are we to

Again, Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the a wide black ribbon. A rank outsider who withdrew all government orders from assume, also, the physical assaults on the death of a Stammgast. "We observe

and without complaint he will be invit- government was censured by the unani- criminal offence, the perpetrators of said, "and our first beer on those evenings ance of the first 50-cent increase after less the Emperor thought that the Diet criminals. But that is the plea of every 1902. In the figures which The Tribune should have approved and confirmed the assassin of a Czar or President or Minis submitting he has the facts for his action of the local authorities in rebukguidance. He may know how much of ing the disloyal manager, and it is easy bemb-thrower. We would not liken Mrs. this proposed 25-cent increase is totally to understand how greatly its contrary Pankhurst to these. But surely she without warrant. He may also find out action displeased him. Neither is it uses their arguments, and the acceptance what justification exists for the rest of difficult, on sentimental grounds, to sym- of her plea would validate theirs. The the demand, and decide for himself how pathize with him. Yet it may be main-crowning touch, however, was given by become a rather Courier-Journal. Hamlin, Secretary; James M. Barrett, much increase these interests, which tained that the Diet acted within its Dr. Ethel Smyth, who testified that shy have already advanced the price of the indisputable rights as the legislature of had smashed Mr. Harcourt's windows SAYS TAFT WAS MISQUOTED that he would not object to women's Reference to Women as Hottentots Baer, the coal operator, gave it a tip of the Emperor's apparent arrogation to voting if they were all as intelligent. not in him but in the Bundesrath and mirable as Mrs. Harcourt. Oh, mon-

The public will not per- not for him autocratically to make or Seriously, these were the pleadings unmake constitutions. That is the prov- and arguments of the authoritative forth tentatively and unofficially to see the Reichsland against which his threat them at window smashing. It is not how the public will take it. How will was directed. It might indeed be ex- unjust to assume that they also indiit take it? Will it take it so as to invite plained that he was speaking in behalf care by what motives they would be ima repetition of the tactics following 1902, of those bodies, and that when he said pelled in the exercise of the civil rights "we" shall repeal the constitution he which they seek to enjoy. There is they have been twisted by limited feminine meant not himself, individually, but the much satisfaction in adding that they some quarters that explanation is not tween the suffragette of London and the

AN EXPERT.

What a pity the state cannot secure the services of a person like the one just arrested for burglary-who has been arrested thirteen times before on serious charges and never sent to prison-for the Anti-Suffragist Objects to Their Being purpose of telling it what the matter is with the criminal law. He is qualified To the Editor of The Tribune. as an expert in escaping its clutches. declination of the General Conference of the would be right, for attention to the the Methodist Episcopal Church to make escape of crooks under suspension of of it may be found in the crowds following don't thirteen times, through the weak- rather than of man? ness of the police in furnishing evidence, law's delay. This man could tell us much that would be interesting. On the principle of setting a thief to catch probably is, and will always remain, "I care not who makes the laws provided "that I break them."

Now for that boasted Jersey justice or

with teeth like a dog's and fur-covered fornia coast is incomplete. The report should have added that its tail was though wielding paramount influence in adorned with feathers like a peacock's that the tips of its ears were twisted like a lynx's and that it were a menocle in its left eye.

Nine months is excessive martyrdom

most progressive and enterprising capitals of the world, sets the interesting new example of a general strike of work- splendid intellects have brought about such ingmen because they do not like the hoice made in the election of the Speaker of the House of Representa-

Why so modest? Only since then?

whose lost speech was restored by the kick of a mule is interesting, but not they have any sense of humor, pray let Cuba should become chaotic is a potent precisely the same penalty is prescribed unique. In a number of cases the deft application of a mule's rear pedal ex- riously, tremity has been known to stimulate the vocal organs and induce an unexpected fluency and copiousness of speech.

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

An incident of Mr. Roosevelt's visit to that fact, and it is to be hoped that the cause as much trouble as in the case Passaic, N. J., yesterday concerns a Taft Cuban people generally do. The send- of the proscribed amusements. At any Republican who has been voting the ticket since Grant's time-a loyal, dyed-in-the- revise our building regulations so that they wool adherent of the party. He has no use shall constitute a satisfactory code. for the colonel's theories, and when he learned that the ex-President was to speak overestimated. It concerns the very exthat the incident should be viewed and as a whole, and not confine considera-Roosevelt saw ft.

Regular Customer-I shall want a large quantity of flowers from you next week for my daughter's coming out.
Flower Woman-Yes, mum. You shall 'ave the very best for 'er, pore dear. Wot were she put in for?-Punch.

THE PUBLIC PAYS. [Besides increasing prices sufficiently to pay n advanced wage to the miners, the opera-ors added enough to give them an extra profit r \$0.000,000 yearly.—News item.]

The miners win! And they do, too Who own the bin? Who lost? Why, you! No matter what Each party says This fact is hot: The public pays They fight. We plead. They make a fuss. Their only creed

Is "Study us." Each side shouts "Give Our cause your praise"; And so, to live, The public pays

For all we drink, We pay. Decelt Gives us the wink When fights are lost Or won, these days, Still comes the cost-The public pays.

Mr. Buggins-Why don't you let me pay cash for this hat of yours instead of wait-ing to have it charged? Mrs. Buggins-While we are waiting an entirely new style might come in.-Philadel-

The space behind a half partition in combination restaurant-saloon in Harlem is occupied for hours every week night by beer, play cards for low or no stakes and sound construction. elders, the privileged guests, known as a large part of our code serve little other

'Stammgaste," there stood one night last purpose than to increase the fire risk, becuse they make incombustible construction too expensive for general use. Most of our fire loss occurs in buildings

to it, and by far the greater stress is laid upon it. The European code either disregards this matter altogether or deals with it by the simple requirement that all building shall be done in accordance with the recognized rules of good engineering and All those stringent requirements for safe-

"As you see, it is a badge demanding otes for women."
"You wearing such a badge?"

But you always told me you could neve "Yes; but I didn't know it was going to ecome a rather styllsh fad."—Louisville

Twisted, It Is Declared.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Miss Weare Coffin Little in a letter to the Tribune of May 19 states that the President called "all of us (meaning women), in general, Hottentots."

Any woman who is worthy of the franchise, in making such a statement should quote the President's exact language. It other thing to prove it true. Let the exact words of the President's

speech be quoted and it will be seen how Señora Calero at The Highlands.

It is this limited power of deduction and omprehension that would make it unwise to trust the vote to many women who clamor for it. They cannot understand English save that which meets a child's A WOMAN. imprehension.

New York, May 23, 1912.

BRAINS OF WOMEN

Called Equal to Men's.

Sir: One tries hard to keep quiet after While the whole town is bothering its reading the effusions of the suffragists so head over suspended sentences at the prominent in all our papers at the present rate of one hundred a month, this ex- time, but when a well known leader, a pert, if he could be consulted, would woman of undoubtful ability, like Alice probably laugh and tell us that the Stone Blackwell, maintains that the female trouble is not in suspending sentences brain equals that of a man and often exbut in not sentencing at all. Moreover, cels it, it becomes impossible to restrain a sentence is, after all, watching the in their wake. I would like to ask the spigot when the leak is at the bunghole. lady in question where the world would Of the one hundred a month, probably be at the present moment if the course of o great number get away by grave civilization, of great enterprises, internaabuses of justice. But think of the tional and private; of great discoveries in number who must constantly slip out the sciences, of wonderful achievements in of the hands of the law, as this man has their development on the brain of woman

Would continents have been linked tothrough the blunders of the courts, by gether by magic cables, or rivers spanned the exercise of pull, through the favor of by mighty bridges, or been burrowed untechnicalities or by the operation of the derneath for human passage; would cities and towns and even remote villages have been as bright by night as by day, if women were left to carry on all these enterprises? Would the earth have yielded up a thief, an assembly of such as he might her riches of coal and metals and oil had on the basis of their own experiences women's brains alone been depended on? to-day. enact laws that would be crookproof. Would a sinking ship call for succor in its But it is idle to think of it. His motto death-throes had the world women only to ome to its assistance? A few heroic women of the shadowy past

are cited as samples of what has been accomplished. One hears often the names of names of Florence Nightingale and Clara Barton and Josephine Shaw Lowell, all mighty forces in the alleviation of human misery and in the advancement of human ogress? Nor did these, nor many others that might be cited, have the ballot, aluman affairs. The many avenues of women's possibilities seem to be overlooked. now our lawmakers can be approached and notable reforms brought about the concerted actions of wise women Would not this power they ask for b greatly endangered if the influence and inited action of hordes of the ignorant and prejudiced were always telling against them? Does it count nothing with women that they gave birth to the men whose shining results? Have they no pride as mothers that much that has made their lives resultant of such gaset successes was

Men have shown; is some to me, much spring from their habit of indulging women in their every whim. Crying for a new toy, The case of the boy in Philadelphia the importunity of the suffragists really seems likely to carry the day; but, oh, if them not repeat that their brains are equal and in many cases superior to men's. Se-

New York, May 22, 1912.

FEARS GREAT FIRE DISASTER

Mr. Flagg Writes of Necessity for New To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: For the fourth time within recent

The importance of this work cannot be at the High School, next to his home, he istence of the city and has to do directly obtained the biggest Taft picture he could or indirectly with the safety and welfare ous post on his verands. And Colonel or lack of policy, in all our building codes, old or new, that I want to call attention. The chief danger to which this city, like other American cities, is exposed is fire. It is a peril which overshadows all others

You shall It is a peril which that no other is to be dear. Wot to such an extent that no other is to be compared to it. The plain truth is that we have nothing between us and a catastrophe too borrible to think of but good luck and the Fire Department. In the face of this situation, one unac-

quainted with our plan of making a building code might naturally expect to find in it, at least after revision, an attempt to escape from this danger by more reasonable measures for safety in the use of wood and more liberal provision for the encouragement of the use of incombustible by them in new buildings, but such a one would find himself wofully mistaken. We do not make our building laws on that plan. We do precisely the opposite. We discourage the use of incombustible material in a hundred ways-and we put a premium on the use of inflammable material. We place so many and such burdensome restrictions on incombustible construction as to make it too expensive for general use and so confine it to buildings of the more pretentious kind which can be built only in neighborhoods where the rents are of the highest, while, on the other hand, we allow the most dangerous license in the use of wood. To one unacquainted with our methods

such a policy would seem incredible, but it is nevertheless true, and that might well be expected in view of our abnormal fire

While the danger from collapse is as nothng compared to the danger from fire. most of the provisions of our code relate

ty against collapse which make up such

criminal offence, the perpetrators of said, "and our first beer on those evenings which ought not to be arraigned as is taken in silence to the memory of our felend." People and Social Incidents

AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Washington, May 23 .- Miss Helen Taft. who is an enthusiastic tennis player, plays at the Chevy Chase Club almost every afternoon. She played in a spirited game this | 36th street. afternoon with Miss Frances Lippitt, daughter of Senator Lippitt, of Rhode Island; Captain Louis McC. Little, U. S. M. C., and Basil Miles.

THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

(From The Tribune Bu Washington, May 23.-Official resident and diplomatic society paid respects to-day new Mexican Ambassador and in the corps to their first at-home is something of a departure from diplomatic custom, but a welcome one. Assisting the ambassador and Señora Calero in receivis one thing to make a statement and anfirst secretary of the embassy, and Miss Berta Leon, of New York, a guest of

The Italian Ambassador and Marchioness Cusani went to New York to-day, accompanying their son, Don Ferdinando Cusani, and his tutor, who sail on Saturday for Italy. The ambassador and the other members of his family will remain in this country until July.

The Japanese Ambassador and Visountess Chinda returned from New York at the Hotel Gotham.

The Minister from Costa Rica and Señora Calvo and their family, including Sefiorita Marta Calvo, who has just returned from a protracted sojourn in New York, will spend the summer on Long Island, closing the legation here in June.

A party of diplomats, including the Minister from Denmark and Countess Moltke, the Minister from Norway and Mme. Bryn, and Mr. de Bach, of the Russian Embassy, has gone to New York to attend the memorial services to-morrow for the

King of Denmark. The Norwegian Minister and Mme, Bryn will sail from New York about June 15. The military attaché of the Russian Emassy, Colonel Baron de Bode, accompanied Lieutenant General Yermolow to New York to-day. General Yermolow, who was a delegate to the Red Cross conference will sail for Europe on Saturday.

IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY. [From the Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, May 23. Senator and Mrs. Hitchcock, of Nebraska, were hosts at dinner to-night in compliment to Mrs. Judson Harmon. In the company asked to meet the wife of Ohio's Governor were Justice and Mrs. Van Devanter, Senator O'Gorman, of New York; Representative and Mrs. Ansberry, of Ohlo, and Major General and Mrs. A. W. Greely, U. S. A., retired. Representative and Mrs. Thomas G. Pat-

ten, of New York, were hosts at luncheon Mrs. Harmon, who came to Washington to attend the Dolly Madison breakfast on Monday, was to have returned to Ohio

to attend the garden party which Representative and Mrs. Martin W. Littleton, of New York, will give to-morrow afternoon examples of what woman has achieved the at Calumet Place, the old John A. Logan louse, which they have leased for their Washington home. Mrs. Thomas M. Chetard entertained

Mrs. Harmon at luncheon to-day, and tomorrow Mrs. Pomerene, wife of the Senator from Ohlo, will give a luncheon for her. Mrs. Meyer, wife of the Secretary of the Navy, has invited a company of young people to an informal supper Saturday evening at the Manor House, Randle Highlands. Weather permitting, the feast will be served on the lawn.

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

Miss Helen Tweed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Tweed, was married yesterday afternoon in the Church of the Incarnation to William Wadsworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Wadsworth. The bride, who was given away by was in a gown of white satin, trimmed with point lace, with which she wore a tulle veil fastened with orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white roses. Her attheir readiness for service will have a restraining effect upon marauders. The relations of this country to Cuba, moreover, not only since 1898, but since half a century earlier than that date, invest our government with a degree of responsible of their own way and say their own way an with pink chiffon, and wore straw hats parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Watts, here, blue feathers. They carried pink Ramblers, ing the week-end with her sons, who are

Dr. Augustus B. Wadsworth was his brother's best man, and the ushers were have returned to New York.

proof type of building; but even here there is a strange lack of directness in our dealing with the matter. Instead of striking at Panama Pacific Commissioners at the the root of the canger by prohibiting the use of wood in buildings of abnormal height, the law takes a roundabout course, first permitting them to be made highly dangerous (as recent experience with fires in such buildings has shown), and then by concerning itself with a vain effort to make them safe, in spite of the tinder they conyears we are engaged in an attempt to tain, by elaborate provisions relating to methods of construction, the use of materials and the protection of the structural members.

The building law should be broad enough to embrace all methods of construction and the use of all kinds of materials which are safe, and our Building Department should have the necessary machinery to insure the proper working of it. The second great feature of the European

law, viz., the securing of light and air for buildings and streets, is one which we neglect altogether, but the time is coming when the question must be faced. It is hard to change customs which relate

to building, but if there ever was a case where a change should be made, we have it here in New York. Our code specifies far too much in one direction and far too little in another. What we need is not a revision, but a new code based on common sense rather than precedents. ERNEST FLAGG.

New York, May 23, 1912. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL DESIGNED

Chicago Man Wins First Prize for a

City on Paper. Melbourne, May 28.-The first prize in the competition for a design for the federal

capital site has been awarded to Walter B. Griffin, of Chicago. The value of the prize is \$8,750. Many American architects were invited to send designs for the laying out of the

new capital of the Commonwealth of Australia, which is to be at Canberra, New South Wales, seventy miles from the east IN MEMORY OF ISIDOR STRAUS.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Philadelphia, May 23.-Services in memory

of Isidor Straus and his wife, who died together in the wreck of the Titanic, will be held on Memorial Day by Isidor Straus Lodge, No. 223 Progressive Order of the West. Governor Tener, Mayor Blankenburg and other prominent men have been invited to take part.

DANTE STATUE ARRIVES. The Hamburg-American liner Moltke

brought to this port from Naples yesterday the sixteen-foot bronze figure of Dante, by Ettore Ximenes, the Italian sculptor. It is a gift to this city from the Italian-Americans. Carlo Barsotti, publisher of "Il Progresso," came over with it on the Moltke. Park Commissioner Stover said he would not grant a site for the Dante called for addition to the high cost of and punish him the local government that the smashing of windows—we may his friends remembered the anniversary of of moderate height and cost, yet most of stigue until he had seen it. A place on the provisions of our code which have a the Mall, one at Long Acre Square and If the consumer endures it patiently the works. But for doing that the local statesmen was a political and not a three anniversaries in this way," the man tearing on the subject are directed toward one in Bryant Park have been suggested.

William Hamilton Gibson, Willard Wads, worth, Joseph T. Wadsworth and Harrison Tweed, brother of the bride. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Floyd Robbins, and a reception followed at the home of the bride's parents, No. 12 East

Miss Helen D. Auerbach will be married to Herman Le Roy Emmet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Temple Emmet, in the last week of June, at the country place of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Auerbach, Miss Kathryn Auerbach will be her sister's maid of honor, and the bridesmaids chosen are Miss Rosalle Coe, Miss Elizabeth Russell, Miss Jeannette E. Whitlock, Miss Señora Calero at their first official recep- Laura Livingston, Miss Margreta Beekman tion. Inviting others than their colleagues and Miss Anita Emmet a sinter of the bridegroom.

> The Countess de Viel Castel will sait from Europe for New York on June 8, and on her arrival here will join her moth Mrs Sidney Dillon Ripley, at Hempstead, Long Island. Later they will go to Bar Harbor.

Mrs. Walter Cutting and Miss Juliana

Cutting, who spent the winter at the Hotel Buckingham, have gone to their place at Southampton, Long Island, for the summ Henry White, former American Ambassador to France, and Mrs. White arrived in

town yesterday from Washington and are Lord Cowdray will return from Maico on May 26 and will be at the St. Regia

while in town. tieneral Horace Porter will leave the city on June 18 for Bar Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bird have arrived in town from Tuxedo and are at the Hotel Gotham for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Martin, jr., are in the city for a few days from their country place at Westbury, Long Island, and are at the Plaza.

Mrs. Alexander Brown has arrived in the ity from Baltimore and is at the Waldert-Astoria.

Mrs. James B. Eustis has returned from the South and is at her house in Lexing. Mrs. H. Bramhall Gilbert will go to her

country place at Great Neck, Long Island, to-day to remain until the middle of July, when she will go abroad.

SOCIAL NOTES FROM NEWPORT. (By Telegraph to The Tribune) Newport, May 23 .- On account of the bad

veather the steam yacht Narada, with Pembroke Jones and guests aboard, did not sail to-day, as had been planned. Mr. Jones gave a luncheon on the yacht at James Brett Stokes, James V. Parker,

Major Edmund J. Curley, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Davis, Mr. and Mrs. John Du Fais, Mrs. Thomas J. Emery, Mr. and Mrs. before, but has remained in Washington James B. Haggin, Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. George Gardner Hall, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hutton, Dr. and Mrs. Henry Barton Jacobs and Mrs. James P. Kernochan are to be June arrivals this Harold S. Vanderbilt is to spend a po-

ion of the summer with his mother, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, at Marble House. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton G. Dixon and Mr. and Mrs. James K. Clarke, of Philadel-

phia, will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh L. Willoughby. Mr. and Mrs. H. Mortimer Brooks will not occupy their place here this summer and Mr. and Mrs. James J. Coogan are to spend the season abroad. The Cloisters

has been opened for Mr. and Mrs. William Woodward. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Duncan, of New York, have arrived.

Mrs. John Nicholas Brown and son have returned after their stay abroad. Mrs. Pembroke Jones and Miss Sadie Jones will return from abroad early in

July. The Elms is being opened for Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Berwind. Mrs. Brockholst Cutting is ill at her Bellevue avenue home.

Dr. and Mrs. George L. Peabedy are at the Laforge cottage for a short stay. Miss Dorothea Watts has joined her Mrs. C. M. Poor, of New York, is spend-

students at St. George's School. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Rhinelander

the safeguarding of what we call the fire- KING RECEIVES FAIR ENVOYS

Quirinal. Rome. May 23 .- The members of the Panama-Pacific Exposition Commission, unde

the leadership of John Hays Hammond, and comprising R. B. Hill, Brigadier General Clarence R. Edwards, William Seanon, Theodore Hardee, Charles F. Wilson and Archibald C. Emery, arrived in the Italian capital to-day, and were met by Post Wheeler, secretary of the United States Embassy: Lieutenant Colonel George M. Dunn, military attaché; Commander Andrew T. Long, naval attaché, and William A. Newcomb.

The commissioners called on Ambassador Thomas J. O'Brien, and immediately afterward were received at the Quirinal by King Victor Emmanuel, who greeted them mos cordially. The audience lasted three-quarters of an hour, and the King expressed the hope that the Italian government would do its best to have the country worthily

represented at San Francisco. Ambassador O'Brien gave a dinner this evening in honor of the members of the commission. The guests included the Minister of Marine, Admiral Pasquale Leonardi-Cattolica; the Minister of Commerce F. S. Nitti; Prince Pietro di Scalea, Under Secretary of State at the Foreign Office: Ernest Nathan, Mayor of Rome; Count di San Martino, president of the international Exhibition of 1911, and General Polito, chief of the General Staff.

FESTIVAL FOR CHARITY

Ben Greet's Players Give "As You Like It" at Riverdale. A Shakespearlan festival by the Ben

Greet Players was held yesterday afternoon in the "Woodland Theatre" at Fieldston. the estate of Mr. and Mrs. Maturin L. Delafield, at Riverdale, N. Y., for the benefit of the Pike Street Industrial School of the Children's Aid Society. "As You Like It" was presented yesterday, and will be repeated this afternoon. To-morrow "The Comedy of Errors" will be given. After the performance refreshments were

served by the following young women in peasant costume: Miss Hopeton Atterbury. Miss Francis Boardman, Miss Rosina C. Boardman, Miss Susan D. Bliss, Miss Grace Cortelyou, Miss Marguerite L. Churchill. Miss Carola Churchill, Miss Angelica L. Church, Mrs. Frederick Cole, Miss Joseph ine Coster, Miss Elizabeth W. Dodge, Miss Charlotte Delafield, Miss Mildred Du Bois. Mrs. Eugene Du Bois, Miss Antoinette Dwight, Mrs. Dudley Davis, Mrs. Euger L. Delafield, Miss Grace Henry, Miss Mar-garet Leverich, Mrs. Frederick W. Longfellow, Miss Helen K. Mahan, Miss Helen

Marguerite Slack, Miss Marguerite Schley. Miss Katherine B. Schley and Mrs. Alexander Van Gontard.

kins, Miss Virginia Schoonmaker, Miss eanor Townsend, Miss Helen Tracy, Miss Katharine Satterlee, Miss Dorothy Schief felin, Miss Marian Stoddard, Miss Constant Schermerhorn, Mrs. Malcolm Stuart, Miss

Le Roy Miller, Miss Vera Onativia, Miss Sophia Olyphant, Mrs. Frederick A. de Peyter, Miss Dorothy Perkins, Miss Udora Per-